Claims

- 1. Method for deciding whether to intercept a telecommunications connection (6), characterized in that, for an identification detail (+49 172 89 12345) relating to at least one subscriber (1, 2) of the telecommunications connection (6), a check is made as to whether this identification detail (+49 172 89 12345) is included in at least one identification detail abbreviation (10, 11, 12) relating to the subscriber (2, 3, 4) to be monitored which is stored in a list (9), with interception (13, 14,) of the telecommunications connection (6) being initiated if it is stored in the list.
- 2. Method according to claim 1, characterized in that the identification detail abbreviation (10) is part of a identification detail (15) relating to a mobile subscriber number.
- 3. Method in accordance with one of the previous claims, characterized in that an identification detail abbreviation (10) is part of an e--mail address of a telecommunications subscriber (1).
- 4. Method according to claim 3, characterized in that the identification detail abbreviation (12) is a domain name or a part of a domain name in an e-mail address of a telecommunications subscriber.
- 5. Method in accordance with one of the previous claims, characterized in that an identification detail abbreviation (16) is part of a telecommunications va-122150

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terminal identification (IMEI).

- 6. Method characterized in that the telecommunications connection is routed over a mobile radio network and/or fixed network and/or the Internet.
- 7. Method in accordance with one of the previous claims, characterized in that the checking is undertaken by equipment (7) of a telecommunications network over which the telecommunications connection is routed or by equipment (8) connected to it.
- 8. Method in accordance with one of the previous claims, characterized in that the interception is undertaken by official equipment (14).
- 9. Method in accordance with one of the previous claims, characterized in that identification details are checked (8) when a connection is set up.
- 10. Method in accordance with one of the previous claims, characterized in that identification details of telecommunications subscribers are checked on transmission of data packets over a telecommunications connection (6).
- 11. Device (8, 9) for deciding whether to intercept telecommunications connections,
 - with a list (10, 11, 12, 16) of identification detail abbreviations relating to telecommunications subscribers (1, 3) to be intercepted stored in a memory (9),
 - with comparison equipment (8) for comparing

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identification details transferred over a telecommunications connection (6) relating to subscribers of the telecommunications connection with stored (9) identification detail abbreviations (10 - 12),

- with decision equipment (8) to initiate the monitoring of a telecommunications connection (6) with at least one telecommunications subscriber (1, 2) identified (8) as to be monitored by an identification detail abbreviation.